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In re application of:

Kazuyoshi SERIZAWA, et al.

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed January 17, 2006, please enter the following amendments and remarks:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 11 of this paper.